

## **Department of Transportation**

DOT Federal Highway Administration  
FY 2008 National Scenic Byways Program Discretionary Grants Grant

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Expected Number of Awards:	
Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$40,000,000
Award Ceiling:	
Award Floor:	
CFDA Number:	20.205 -- Highway Planning and Construction
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	Yes

### **Eligible Applicants**

State governments  
County governments  
City or township governments  
Special district governments  
Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)  
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

### **Additional Information on Eligibility:**

Federal agencies, local units of government, and nonprofit organizations may apply to this program, but they must coordinate their applications with their State Departments of Transportation (DOT). The formal applications to FHWA are submitted by the State DOTs, and the projects are generally managed by the cognizant State DOT. Indian tribe governments have the option of submitting byway grant applications through the State or directly to the FHWA Division office in their State.

### **Description**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has issued the FY 2008 solicitation for proposals under the National Scenic Byways Program. Under this program, the Secretary of Transportation may make grants to States or Indian tribes to implement projects on roads designated as National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads, State scenic byways, or Indian tribe scenic byways. The Secretary may also make grants to States or Indian tribes to plan, design and develop a scenic byways program. Eligible projects must be from one of the following eight eligible activities: State or Indian tribe Scenic Byway Programs, Corridor Management Plans, Safety Improvements, Byways Facilities, Access to Recreation, Resource Protection, Interpretive Information, or Marketing. FHWA has decided to be more strategic in its FY 2008 National Scenic Byways Program grant awards process by targeting its resources toward projects that provide the greatest benefits. FHWA is particularly focusing on projects with demonstrated benefits for the byway traveler and invites the application of large-scale, high-cost projects that provide strategic benefits to the byway. The Federal share of the byway project grant is 80 percent. The National Scenic Byways Program FY 2008 Grants Information is available at: <http://www.bywaysonline.org/grants>. Please contact your Scenic Byway coordinator to discuss your project before preparing an application. Their contact information can be found at: <http://www.bywaysonline.org/contacts/>. Please visit the program website at <http://www.bywaysonline.org>.

#### **Link to Full Announcement**

[Official FY 2008 National Scenic Byways Program Grants Solicitation Memo](#)

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